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Via ECFS  
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to  
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

When big telco was broken up years ago, we were promised more competition, lower prices, and a better deal for consumers. It has taken a long time for that to come about but now there are finally some competitive providers in the field and we're at long last reaping the promised benefits!

I am a senior citizen, home owner and owner of a very small business. I live in Palo Alto, in the heart of Silicon Valley. Yet we are still dependent on last-mile copper to connect to the internet! Our city has talked about fiber to the home but it isn't happening. So please don't let AT&T take away access to these critical unbundled network elements!

I receive excellent broadband AND voice service at a great price from Sonic. They allow me to stay connected, have great internet access, and call family and friends all over the world. I don't want to lose this service and be forced back to AT&T (and friends) at higher cost for less service.

Say NO to a return to monopoly! Save competition in telecommunication.

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